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of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed are:

- Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (94 pages).
- Formal drawings (4 sheets, Figures 1-2B).
- Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in parent patent application (2 pages).
- Copy of Assignment of the invention to Biosite Dicagnostics, Inc. (now Biosite, Inc.) filed in parent patent application, recorded on 08/13/1998 at Reel/Frame 9392/0779 (3 pages).
- Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76) (3 pages).
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